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- h. Chief of Transportation: Ing. Vanacek, a Communist since February 1948, who was recently dismissed from the Party. This department is being liquidated, and the employees will be transferred to various other departments of Omnipol.
- i. Chief of Planning: Ing. Urbanek, a Communist.** His deputy, Ambroz, is an ardent Communist who has a special office and handles all confidential cases for the Ministry of National Defense.
- j. Chief for Compensation: Ing. Tomacek, a convinced anti-Communist. He is in contact primarily with factories in the East Zone of Germany.
- k. Workers' Council: Ing. Urban, a Communist.
Ing. Urbanek, a Communist.
Ing. Cerny, a former National Socialist.
Ing. Vanacek, a Communist who has been dismissed from the Party but whose present status is undeterminable.
Pomezny, an ardent Communist, formerly a chauffeur. He is the most dangerous man at Omnipol.***
Ing. Rehorik, a Communist by compulsion only.

3. Departmental heads in the Sales Division are as follows:

- a. Chief of the Sales Division: Ing. Rehorik, a Communist since February 1948. His deputy is Ing. Kolar, also a Communist since February 1948.
- b. Manager of the Sales Department for Machinery: Director Havlicek, an anti-Communist. His deputy is Kucera, also an anti-Communist. The department is being liquidated.
- c. Sales Department for Enamelware: Manager and personnel of this new department are not known. Its offices are in the PVV (Prague Samples Fair) Building.
- d. Chief for Compensation in the Sales Division: Director Vanik, an anti-Communist.

4. Departmental heads in the Purchasing Division are as follows:

- a. Chief of the Purchasing Division: Ing. Sehnal, a Communist. His deputy is Zdenek Polak, a Communist, who was formerly a Social Democrat.
- b. Chief of Purchasing Department for Machinery: Zdenek Polak. The address of this department is Rytirska 24, Prague II. The deputy is Vevoda, an anti-Communist. The bookkeeper is Josef Polak, an anti-Communist. Financial affairs are handled by Aulehle, an anti-Communist. Import permits were obtained by Jiri Reif until September 1949. He was also an anti-Communist. Negotiations with the Ministry of Foreign Trade are handled by a Mrs. Siskova, an anti-Communist.
- c. Chief of Purchasing Department for Ball Bearings: Ing. Urban, a Communist.** He was formerly head of the entire Purchasing Division, but was demoted to his present post by Ing. Pospisil (see para. 2 a). The address of this department is Havlickovo Square, Prague II.
- d. Chief of Purchasing Department for Electrical Material: Belouhoubek, an ardent Communist and a former Freedom Party leader.

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- f. Chief of Purchasing Department for Ores: Ing. Eichler, an anti-Communist. His deputy is Ing. Kautsky, also an anti-Communist.
- g. Chief of Purchasing Department for Automobiles: Cerny, an anti-Communist and former member of the National Socialist Party.

5. Firms in Europe with which Omnipol is in contact:

a. Switzerland

The general agency of Omnipol is Omack, Zurich. Emack (Emil Ackermann), Prague-Karlin, acted as general agency of the most prominent factories in Switzerland until his death in July 1949. Some of the major Swiss companies with which Omnipol deals are:

- 1) SIP - Société Genevoise, Geneva, manufactures coordinate boring machines.
- 2) Scintila, Zurich and Basel, manufactures equipment for the automobile industry.
- 3) Georg Fischer, Schaffhausen, manufactures pantographic and copying machines, wheelabrators and other foundry equipment. Georg Fischer's agent in Czechoslovakia is Kodac, Prague.
- 4) Micafil, Zurich, manufactures special winding machines.
- 5) Micro Maag, Zurich, manufactures precision measuring instruments.
- 6) Delta, Solothurn, manufactures fittings and screws.
- 7) Osuma and Stamm, Schaffhausen, exports measuring instruments.
- 8) Autark, Zurich, is the general agency for several factories manufacturing measuring instruments.
- 9) Oerlikon, Zurich, manufactures automatic lathes.
- 10) Maag, Zurich, manufactures machines to make gears and cogwheels.

The General agency for Oerlikon and Maag in Czechoslovakia is Industria, Prague. Omack is the agency for all other Swiss factories.

b. France

The most important concern with which Omnipol deals in France is Ch. Berthiez, Paris, which produces planing machines and lathes with horizontal faceplates (carussels). Berthiez is reputed to be the only supplier of such equipment for Czechoslovakia. All business matters are handled through Omnipol, Paris.

c. Poland

Polimex, Warsaw, is the only contracting firm in Poland.

- d. In all other countries in Europe and America the interests of Omnipol are represented by the general agencies named above. In special cases Czech customers may be in direct contact with the manufacturer, but the purchasing transactions must be handled by Omnipol.

II. Purchases of foreign machinery made by Czech industry

1. The Kovosmalt Enamel Works at Caslav received in August 1949 two import permits for electric furnaces. The price of these furnaces is \$32,000 in U.S. currency and the manufacturer is Hydro-Chemie (sic), in the United States. The date of delivery is to be about November 1950. These furnaces have been paid for by a

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transferrable letter of credit in U.S. dollars opened in favor of an unknown Swiss firm, and an export permit appears **certain** to be granted. This firm is able to pay promptly for the furnaces and after delivery will forward them to the Enamel Works. Other similar cases have been reported. In one instance the customer tried to acquire machinery through an intermediary in Austria.

2. Machinery imported during 1949:

a. Zbrojovka Brno

In November 1948, Zbrojovka ordered several special machines destined for its secret ball bearing program. The total amount of the order was 35,000,000 Kcs (\$700,000), one-third payable in advance. The necessary import permit has been granted; time of delivery is 1949 - 1950. The bearings will be 50 mm in diameter. The suppliers are:

- 1) Maag, Zurich, supplying machines for the manufacture of cogwheels.
- 2) Wickmann, England, through Industria, Prague, has received a £ 97,000 order for automatic lathes. Part of this order has been delivered, and final delivery will be made during 1949 - 1950.
- 3) Herbert, England, supplying automatic lathes.
- 4) Georg Fischer of Schaffhausen, supplying foundry equipment.
- 5) Micafil, Zurich, supplying winding machines.
- 6) CAEI, Brussels, Belgium, through General Agency Ing. Bohm in Prague, supplying electric furnaces.

b. Skoda Works

- 1) For the mass manufacture of electric motors at its Pilsen plant, the following orders have been placed:
 - a) Micafil, Zurich, has received an order for winding machines at a total price of 6,000,000 Kcs (\$120,000), to be delivered during the first part of 1950. An advance payment of one-third has been made.
 - b) An unknown manufacturer in Belgium will deliver a testing machine for electric motors at a price of 67,000,000 Kcs (\$1,340,000). The import permit has been granted, and delivery will be made in 1950-1951. Payment is to be made at the rate of 5,000,000 Kcs per month, an amount which will exhaust almost the entire Czech supply of Belgian currency for 1950.
 - c) Maxel, France, has received an order for a special testing machine to be delivered during 1950, and for which an advance payment of one-third has been made.
- 2) For other Skoda plants, the following orders have been placed:
 - a) Maag of Zurich will deliver, between 1949 and 1951, numerous planers and grinders including a heavy planer, model HSS 180.
 - b) Starrag, Switzerland, through the Ackermann General Agency in Prague, has been approached to supply a special machine for the manufacture of turbo-rotors. Skoda is trying to obtain the necessary import permits for this, its most important investment in 1949. The total amount of the order will be 9,000,000 Kcs (\$180,000). An import permit has been obtained for a cutting machine costing 1,500,000 Kcs (\$30,000), to be delivered in December 1949.
 - c) Berthiez, Paris, will deliver during 1950 and 1951 a 100,000,000 Kcs (\$2,000,000) order for lathes with horizontal faceplates.

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- d) Hydroblast Co. (sic), in the United States, has already delivered a cleansing machine for castings. Skoda is now trying to get a U.S. export permit for a second machine.

c) CKD, Prague

For its electrotechnical work, CKD has obtained import permits for Micafil winding machines amounting to 4,000,000 Kcs (380,000). These are to be delivered during 1950 - 1951 and an advance payment of one-third has been made.

d. MEZ, Olomouc

The Moravian Electrotechnical Works has purchased from:

- 1) Micafil, Zurich, a number of special presses.
- 2) Berthiez, Paris, three lathes with horizontal faceplates.

e. Mlada Boleslav Auto Works

This company has arranged for the purchase of welding presses, welding machines and spot welding machines from ASEA, Sweden. These purchases are to be delivered in 1950 and a payment of one-third has been made.

f. Tatra Auto Works

For the manufacture of its vehicles, the Tatra Works has ordered several welding and spot welding machines from ASEA, Sweden. These are to be delivered during 1950 and payment of one-third has been made. From England, Tatra purchased a large Clearing press costing £ 90,000 to be delivered in 1950-1951.

g. Auto-Praga, Prague

The Praga Automobile Works has purchased from England a large Clearing press costing £ 90,000. Delivery will be made in 1950-1951.

h. Moravia, Marianske Uholi

From Wyssen, Switzerland, transport equipment costing 3,000,000 Kcs (360,000) has been purchased for a new foundry. Advance payment of one-third has been made and delivery is scheduled for 1950.

i. Kablo, Bratislava

Kablo has placed in the western zones of Germany orders for several special machines for the manufacture of cable.

j. Vitkovice Iron Works

This plant has purchased heavy foundry and forge machinery, primarily in the western zones of Germany. The necessary import permits have been obtained.

k. PAL, Prague

PAL has purchased in Switzerland several special machines used in the manufacture of equipment for the airplane industry. Formerly about 80 percent of its output went to the Ministry of Defense.

l. Ministry of Defense

The Ministry of Defense placed an order in Canada for a snow plough to be used at the Prague airfield. The import permit has been granted and delivery is to be made in 1950.

m. CSD (Directorate of Czech Railroads)

During August 1949, CSD received several import permits for machinery from Switzerland to be used on the Bohumin-Kosice railroad. The total price of the order is to be 4,000,000 Kcs (380,000), and delivery will be made in 1950.

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n. Central Slovakian Machine Works, Podbrezova

Several autogenous cutting machines have been purchased from AGA, Vienna. An order has also been placed with an unknown company in France for oxygen extraction equipment.

o. Kovo

Kovo has placed orders for several lathes with horizontal faceplates with companies in Canada. Import permits have been granted and an advance payment of one-third has been made. Delivery is to be made in 1950 to several plants of the Kovo corporation.

p. Foundries and plants of the non-ferrous metal industry

Several orders for foundry equipment have been placed with Georg Fischer, Schaffhausen, Switzerland. This company will deliver abrasive discs, of types WS 1, WS 2, WS 3 and WD 3, for the cleaning of castings. The price of each piece of equipment is to be 48,000 - 120,000 Swiss francs (\$11,600 - \$29,000). Several import permits have been obtained for aerators and Simpson mixers.

- 1) Customers for this type of equipment are Zbrojovka, Skoda Works, CKD and the Moravia Works in Marianske Uholi. Advance payments of one-third have been made in all cases and 20 percent of the machines have already been delivered, with the rest of them due in 1950.

3. In addition to the machines mentioned above, which are designated as investments, Czech industry must be supplied with other equipment for the maintenance of production. Czech manufacture of such equipment is reported to be quite inadequate. Most important of these items are: spare parts for all types of machines, chucks, revolving centers for lathes, spiral borers, and such measuring devices as vernier calipers, rules, gauges, levels and micrometers. Prior to June 1949 all orders for this kind of equipment were placed in Switzerland, England and Sweden. Since that date all new orders have been placed in the western zones of Germany and many of the earlier orders which have not been filled have been cancelled and placed in the western zones of Germany. Measuring instruments from Germany are of first-class quality. Delivery is to be made from stock and at prices below those quoted in Switzerland, England, and Sweden. Import permits amounting to many million Czech crowns have been granted for mining equipment.

4. Purchasing priority among Czech industries is given in the following order:

- a. Mining
- b. Ministry of Defense and Zbrojovka Brno
- c. Skoda Works
- d. CKD, Prague
- e. Kablo, Bratislava
- f. Tatras Works

III. German firms willing to deliver machinery to Czechoslovakia

1. The managers of all German firms with which Onnipol is in contact have expressed their willingness to deliver machinery to Czechoslovakia and were not at all concerned about the purposes for which these machines were intended. They were all experts and must have understood perfectly well the objectives for which the machines would be used in Czechoslovakia. Practically all of them complained that their business was being hampered by the Joint Export and Import Agency and by the American authorities.

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2. The following firms are able to execute short-term deliveries to Czechoslovakia:

a.	Naxos Union, Offenbach	Grinding machines	
b.	Collet and Englehardt, Offenbach	" "	
c.	Mayer and Schmidt, Offenbach	" "	
d.	Friedrich Schmaltz, Offenbach	" "	
e.	FMA, Frankfurt	Compressors and mining equipment	
f.	Giesserei und Werkzeugmaschinen, Hoechst	Foundry equipment	
g.	Georg Hermann, Munich	Foundry equipment	
h.	Waldrich, Coburg	Planing machines	
i.	Hurth, Munich	Miscellaneous metalworking machines	
j.	Fr. Deckel, Munich	Miscellaneous metalworking machines	
k.	Boehringer, Goepfingen	Lathes, automatic lathes	
l.	Schubr, Goepfingen	Presses	
m.	Schmidt and Schmidt, Stuttgart- Obertrudheim	Grinding machines	
n.	Stotz, Kornwestheim bei Stuttgart	Foundry equipment	
o.	Werner and Pfeideler, Stuttgart- Feuerbach	Foundry and special equipment	
p.	Coest-Ferrun, Duesseldorf (former Schliess-Defries)	Turret lathes	25X1X
q.	Froriep, Rheyt	Turret lathes, planing machines	25X1X
r.	Zimmermann, Duesseldorf-Rath	Foundry equipment	25X1X
*	Washington Comment: Except as noted in comments, the reports [redacted] confirm [redacted] in a large number of details. Havel is listed [redacted] as an anti-Communist.		25X1X
**	Washington Comment: Pomezny was listed [redacted] as Political Administrator of Omnipol.		25X1X
***	Washington Comment: [redacted] the Chief of Planning is Ing. Urban, while the Chief of the Purchasing Section is Ing. Urbanek.		25X1X